Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—What is the difficulty at least in securing the cement dealership ?

Sri MALI MARIYAPPA.—I think very shortly the society will get relief.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—Pending the getting of this agency, will Government consider the desirability of giving some quota in order to help this society ?

Sri MALI MARIYAPPA.—It is possible to give some relief and it will be given.

PAYMENT OF STIPENDS TO PUPIL-MIDWIVES AND TEACHER TRAINEES.

* *Q.*—141. Sri F. W. CORBETT (Nominated).

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they are aware that trainees as midwives are given a stipend of Rs. 50 per month whereas teacher trainees are given a stipend of Rs. 20 only ;

(*b*) whether they intend to give the same stipend to teacher trainees also in view of the fact that their training is as arduous and their duties as responsible as those of midwives ;

(*c*) whether they will also consider as an alternative measure, giving all teacher trainees a uniform stipend of Rs. 40 per month as recently offered to trainees who are prepared to serve in the rural areas for a period of three years ?

A.—Sri ANNARAO GANAMUKHI (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) The pupil-midwives are paid a stipend of Rs. 45 per mensem *plus* a Unifrom Allowance of Rs. 5 per mensem whereas the teachers deputed for training to the Primary Training Institutions from Government District School Board and District Board Primary Schools are paid Full Pay, Dearness Allowance and Family Allowance as in Old Mysore area, during the period of their training and those deputed from Private Primary Schools for training are paid stipends in accordance with the rules in force in the respective areas, prior to the Reorganisation of States.

(*b*) The trainees connot be given the same stipends as in the case of pupil-midwives.

(*c*) No.

Sri F. W. CORBETT.—My question refers to teacher trainees whereas the answer refers to teachers deputed for training. I do not know how this mistake has occurred. Is it possible for an young man and woman to maintain themselves for two years at the rate of Rs. 20 p.m. while under traing ?